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The reply filed on April 22, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants elected Group I (claims 1-23) without traverse. However, Applicants did not elect any species as requested in page 4 of the Office Action of March 2, 2005. The election of species requires Applicant to elect a single nucleophile and a single linker (see, e.g., claims 1, 7, 17-18), a single releasing agent (see, e.g., claims 19-23) and a post-method analytical treatment (see, e.g., claims 4-6) for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The election is deemed unresponsive as Applicants response does not indicate any elected species. This requirement is therefore still pending. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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